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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL BECAUSE OF APPLICANT'S AGE (37 CFR 1.102(c))

Applicants hereby petition to make this application special because both of the Applicants, namely, Ruey J. Yu and Eugene J. Van Scott, are over 65 years of age.

As a showing of this fact, accompanying this petition are Declarations by the Applicants that they are over 65 years of age.

Respectfully submitted.

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